Associated Press

You York, March 19, Eightyhas americans, comprising a large massits of the creus, were abound the three American steamers Vigitaria, Ulty of Memphis and Illinois work by German submaylans on Sulmeday and Sunday, in the blockade rone. The fatest information here is that 14 men are mboles from the Vigilancia and eight from the City of Memphis, The even of the fillhols was land-

of the at Manuphia felt Cardiff; Year Son encountered the submanee Securitar evening and the crew was given il minutes to take to the near the result was owned by the Show Stone with company and valued delicers . Have France There work it men in har craw

nd whom were Americans. Thirty spe of those have been landed at the Softy telemes. The Vigilanda sales from New York Feb. 28 with a skirgo constating in part of provisions and valued or nearly \$760,000. The

The Illinois was a tank . mand by the Texas Oil con-Size left front Arthur, Tours, on us all the officers and eight memere of the grow. Her entire grown

Capture Borum and the cight nion who formed the complement of his host

duarance. The secritors who have

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## Latest Bulletins

Peking, March 19, Chinese troops have occupied without opposition the German concessions at Tien Tsin and Hankew. The Butch have taken over the Ger-Man consulates.

London, Murch 19,- A. British destroyer and a merchant vessel were sunk and another destroyer was damaged in the German naval raid at Ramsgate, the admirally announced today.

New York, March 19, Twentysix mail bags addressed to Washlegton and the British embassy at Washington were found to have been rifled on board the Cunard liner Saxonia upon her acrival here today.

London, March 19, Premier Lleyd George today announced in the house of commons that on Thursday he would move a motion of congratulation to the Sussian HALT MUSTERING OUT OF SOLDIERS IN MIDDLE WEST

Chlenge, March 15 Orders leasted foday: by Major General Thomas H. Barry, commander of the central department I S A suspending all mastering and of

There are six regiments of state troops in the central department awaiting the orders to be musand Fifth Ohlo at Fort Riby: the Thirty-liest and the Thirty-second Michigan at Fort Wayne; and the Second foun at Fort Des Moines.

Major Clark, U. S. A., swood in command at Fort Day Moines, in a statement lasted today sali orders had been received to cease all preparations to muster out the Second lown infantry tomorrow and to hold the regiment "set sub-

Washington, March 10, 11 was our fronts took on added interest today, department that demobilization of the an efficials realized that the United therein the fact that the arew was national guard would continue as States is practically certain to become here the limits had been received planted and that delays in the muster. The war and navy departments par-bers they today regarding the de-deresting of the illimits.

uation on French Front -Retreat Goes On.

Berlin, March 19, the wireless to Sayville.) Evacuation of territory over a wide sector on the French front extending from Arras to the Alsne river is aumounced by the

terman war office. Several Unes of French trenches over an extent of 500 metres in one sector and 800 metres in another on the Verdan front were starmed. vesterday by the Germans. Yearly 569 French prisoners were taken.

Paris, March 19. The French, close. Wilson would take such steps on his peveral points reached the railroad from Ham to Neste, the way office an-

The German line at last accounts are saining and from three miles the other a stated mileage task of 100 was in full retreat over a section which on starboard quarter, vessel was miles to be performed during 10 hours. Single of water, 0.1, a full of 1.2 represents almost constitute on starboard quarter, vessel was miles to be performed during 10 hours. Simple authorities approaching to with extra pay for any excess, in front from Switzerland to the near one mile. Sixed once more, fragments force on about 85 per cent of the last the first th

In the Lassigny region west of Roye vessel about 4:40 p. m. able to push forward 13 miles at one commander, who is credited with possessing almost uncanny ability to gauge the power of his opponents, is following up the retreating Germans with great rapidity. It is regarded here as doubtful whether the Germans will find it feasible to offer serious remaining the following the feasible to offer serious remaining the feas bound. General Nivelle, the French President Wilson made another lished. will find it feasible to offer serious re-sistance before reaching the basic line | President Wilson conferred with terms of the demand were as follows.

## HUNDREDS DIE IN GERMAN EXPLOSION however, to confirm this.

munitions factory at Cologne blew up Benson, chief of operations, and Cap- senger service. Miles in excess of on Tuesday, according to information tain Oliver, chief of intelligence. 100 will be paid for at the same rate received from German sources by a There appeared to be ground for the per mile newspaper at Kolding, near the fron-tier. Several hundred workmen are have the navy protect American shipreported to have perished.

Adamson Measure Is Held Constitutional and Valid in All Respects.

ed States today faced the pressing

question of war with Germany

over the immediate issue of the

ruthless destruction of three un-

armed American merchant ships.

Technically an armed neutrality still existed, but unofficially it was

admitted Germany has committed the "overt act" which precipi-

The next step beyond the arming

of merchantmen, now going for-

ward, is the despatch of warships

to clear the trans-Atlantic lanes.

President Witson was considering carefully all courses open to him. He

might continue arming merchantmen, as at present, autil the special session

of congress called for April 16; he

might summon congress to meet im-mediately to authorize him to take

aggressive action against the subnu-

rine menace; or he might declare

forthwith that a state of war exists.

Some officials state be stready has

ample power for the last course, but

that this would be subject to ap-

Sure of Hostilities,

Lansing and Wilson Confer,

Wilson Visits War Chiefs.

tales a virtual state of war.

of submarines,

proval by congress.

## AFFECTS 400,000 MEN

Will Cost Roads Millions-Reverses Ruling of the Missouri Judge.

Washington, March 19,-The Adamson eight-hour railroad law was held constitutional and talid in all respects today by the supreme court. The decision makes eight hours the standard of a day's work and wages for men in operation of trains and legalizes the wage increases which went into tentative effect on its passage.

The hamedlate temporary ware increases won by the rallroad employes affect 400,000 trainmen, as of Jan. 1, and are estimated to total between \$10,000,000 and \$50,-Dispatches from the various battle. 000:000.

The decision was five to four. Justices Day, Pitney and Van Devanter announced their dissent from the beach and later Justice McReynolds announced his.

problems of precisely what plans they that) follow if war comes. Federal Judge Hook's ruling in the a result expected to grow out of the Many senators and representatives Missouri, Oklahoma & Gulf railroad who remained in Washington today ex- test case, enjoining enforcement of the revolution. pressed the opinion that the German Adamson act, and holding it "uncon- Reforms which have been accepted retired for the night, apparently con- had been set for Saturday evening at

American shipping against Gor-

are on the other sule of the ocean joined.

anarmed is a factor in the situation "Deprivation of Property."

iona ficel is needed at home to guard out due process of law." There seemed to be no doubt that he believed the law "an hours of ser-There seemed to be no doubt that the training of American slips would be taken and the wage-fixing law, and thus within the transportation. This is already under been dismissed temporarily by the Adamson eight-hour law. This cononly question was whether President Diwer of congress."

Majority Opinion.

following the retiring Germans, re-own responsibility or wait for conoccupied Guiscard last right and all grees to grant specific authorities. by thief Justice White says: Secretary Landing was called to the the circumstances existing to deal freight has already been cut virtually a statement that the conferences the second which nounces Troops were pushed along the mailer to be necessary for a would be resumed today but intimated postponement of the strike which was the maileral road to St Quentle.

White house by President Wilson would be resumed today but intimated postponement of the strike which was the maileral road to St Quentle.

The official statement was secured by presenting

Each Island, Pavenpert, Moline
and Vicinity.

Larger doubt tonight and Tuesday.

Targer doubt tonight and Tuesday.

The department of the lowest temperature of the preparation. They penetrated the preparation of this positions and the conditions and four non-Americans and they are safe on hoard some merchant or admirally vessel which has no wireless."

Two Systems Used:

"Two Syst

French troops, advancing able to read submarine's signal to "The organizations representing the with the precision of a machine along abandon ship. Instantly captain re-employee of the tailroads in that a 40 mile front, have recaptured in plied by long blast whistle signifying month made a formal domand upon portant towns and many square miles comprehension, then gave four short the employers that, as to all engaged f territory, accomplishing this at blasts, signal to crew to take to beats in the movement of trains except passmall cost to themselves, so carefully immediately, which was done in five songer trains, the 100 mile task be has every detail of the advance been minutes. No injuries. Submarine fixed for eight hours, provided that throughout and provided that an extra allowance the Germans appear to have made only "City of Memphis carried wireless for overtime calculated by the minute a weak defense since the French were but did not use it." at once and one-half time the rate of the regular hours service be estab-

of defense between Lille and Soissons. Secretary Daniels, it was understood, except that one which reserved the two days march from where they are about the Issue of \$150,000,000 in option which is in the margin, and bonds for hurrying naval construct others, making article I applicable to tion because of national emergency yard and switching and hostling ser-

There was no official announcement, vice: "Article 1-(A) In all road service After conferring with the president, 100 miles or less, eight hours or less Copenhagen, March 13. A large Secretary Daniels summoned Admiral will constitute a day except in pas-

"(B) On runs of 160 miles or less (Continued from Page Ten.)

Be Reenacted—Jews to Get Equal Rights.

London, March 19.—Home rule for Finland is the policy of Russia, according to a Reuter correspondent, writing from Tammerfors, Fluiand's greatest manufacturing city. General Zein, governor of Finland under the old regime, has been sent to Petrograd as a pris-

Terragrad, Sunday, March 18, 6 p. m. tvia London March 19, 11 a .m.) - A new impetus to commercial inter- est things you ever did." course between Russia and America is

stumbling block which existed under ferences could not be reached, were permit of further negotiations, un-To Take Drustic Action.

Justices Pitney and Van Devanter, the old regime, to the reenactment of the relief they felt from the strain less something more intervened than the law should be held unconstitute under which they had labored since the mere suggestion that the severance tutional and void 'because congress, States. Among the stipulations insist-early Friday evening with the pres- of diplomatic relations with Germany this submarines appears certain as a result of vesterday's sinking of three unarmed American merchanimen with possible loss of American lives.

Calling of congress in extra seaston, before April 18, loomed as the strong-before April 18, loomed as the strong-be Memphis Figure of the night sations Berlin Report Tells of Evac- without was understood to have other arate opinion saving that congress did equal rights. It is a matter of com-With American ships already being majorny opinion, but on slightly dil- the United States has been the insistarmed, the most probable step would ferent grounds. Justice day read his ence of Russia in applying to naturalbe an active campaign to clear sub- own dissenting opinion, and Justice feed American Jews the liabilities govmarines out of the shipping lanes. Fitney delivered another dissenting erning these of this race which are more than 200,000.

The fact that some American ships opinion in which Justice Van Devanter Russian subjects.

It is understood that there will be and as large warships are ineffective against submarines, the problem for the government in to get small submarine chasers. Most of the American of the railroads property with marine chasers. Most of the American of the railroads property with the legislation amounted to "depriment the problem of the railroads property with the factor in clearing the situation and the railroads property with the factor in clearing the situation and also comes in for a larger liberty restoring the country to normal conclusion of the large and patriotic acican fiest is needed at home to guard out due process of law out due process of law out due process of law this also remains to be defined. ditions insofar as its transportation of the railway managers' continues in American waters on Justice McKenna differed in that governor waters are replaced as facilities were concerned, was con-mittee which has put beyond peradgraft which was a part of the old rail- Lane, a short time before word came Was there power in congress under way control, the cost of transporting that the managers had yielded, issued

New York, March 19.—The railroad strike has been averted. Yielding to the appeal of President Wilson and facing the probability of this country's entrance into the world war, the railroads early today granted the demands of the four employes' brotherhoods for a basic eight hour day. The telegraph wires today are carrying throughout the United States messages from the brotherhood chiefs rescinding the orders for the inauguration of the great progressive strike at 7 o'clock tonight.

The decision is regarded as a complete surrender to the brotherhoods, brought about, however, after the pa-Expect Trading Treaty to triotism of the railroad managers had been put to the test. The president's mediators, playing what they considered their last trump card, were not successful in their mission until after more than fifty hours of anxious conferences, all of which pointed within a short time before the decision was announced to an inevitable deadlock.

RAILROADS COMMENDED. Secretary of the Interior Lane and the other mediators were visibly affected when told of the action of the railroad managers. Mr. Lane sent immediately for the committee of the railroads and, turning to Elisha Lee, their spokesman, said:

"This is a magnificent thing you have done for your country. It will go down in history as one of the great-

Relief to Trainmen.

Increases Cost \$60,000,000.

| 000,000 a year, according to conserva- erations of the railroads of the coun-

Sinkings Prime Factor.

land also comes in for a larger liberty restoring the country to normal con- ciation of the large and patriotic ac-Another reform which touches the who until a late hour last night had wide railroad strike. The railroads way and the results have even thus president's mediators, who made no cession was secured as the culminamoon been seen in the lower prices for secret of the fact that they viewed the tion of two days and nights of nego-

the seriousness of the international The brotherhood chiefs, who al- situation, but the warning had apparready had left the hotel where the ently fallen on deaf ears. It was eviconferences were being held and had dent that the strike, which originally

imously to yield to the demands of By the terms of the settlement, the the brotherhoods in order "that neithcombined salary list of the railroads er at home nor abroad should there will be increased approximately \$60 .- be fear or hope that the efficient op-Situation Summed Up.

The mediation negotiations and their result were summed up in the an early declaration by the foreign of- That the crisis resulting from the following statement issued by the

Strike Delay Difficult.

"Our first effort was to secure a THE WEATHER

The official statement says 100 vil.

lages have been reoccupied by the principal question as well as that of there are the principal question as well as that of other ponement was secured by presenting of the government. The railroad employes engaged in interponement was secured by presenting of the ponement was secured by presenting of the ponement was secured by presenting of the railroad employes engaged in interponement was secured by presenting of the ponement was secured by presenting of the railroad employes engaged in interponement was secured by presenting of the railroad employes engaged in interponement was secured by presenting of the railroad employes engaged in interponement was secured by presenting of the railroad employes engaged in interponement was secured by presenting of the railroad employes engaged in interponement was secured by presenting of the railroad employes engaged in interponement was secured by presenting of the railroad employes engaged in interponement was secured by presenting of the railroad employes engaged in interponement was secured by presenting of the railroad employes engaged in interponement was secured by presenting of the railroad employes engaged in interponement was secured by presenting of the railroad employes engaged in interponement was secured by presenting of the railroad employes engaged in interponement was secured by presenting of the railroad employes engaged in interponement was secured by presenting of the railroad employes engaged in interponement was secured by presenting of the railroad employes engaged in interponement was secured by presenting of the railroad employes engaged in interponement was secured by presenting of the railroad employes engaged in interponement was secured by the station master and pay any figure the settlement.

The official railroad employes engaged in interponement was secured by presenting of the railroad employes engaged in interponement and the provisor of the power and the provisor of the power and the tutional, that this construction and application would be given to it. The railways agreed to this at a foint session between the brotherhood chiefs and the managers. And with much difficulty the chiefs stayed the strike, an act that was vital to the success of

our efforts at further mediation. Railroads Relent. "We next sought some adjustment that would be effective should the law be held to be unconstitutional. In this regard many propositions were made to both aides until the railroads expressed a willingness to place the whole matter in the hands of the committee. This action proceeded, as the letter of the railway managers states, from a desire to demonstrate to the country that the raffroads would not allow their own conception of railroad policy to stand in the way of the fullest use of the roads at a time of severe national

Will Be No Strike. The committee considered the matter and decided that in view of the decision of congress in passing the

adopt at once the memorandum agreement of the previous day as applic-(Continued on Page Eleven.)

Adamson law and the necessity for

immediate action, that it was best to

00000000000000000 O New York, March 19 .- Confer- O O ences will be held here tomorrow O O between the roads and the men to O O decide a basis for fixing of back O O pay, inasmuch as the new agree- O O ment is to be retroactice begin- O O ning Jan. 1. It is estimated the O O back wages amount to between O

# Agreement That Averts Nation-Wide Rail Strike

New York, March 19. The 1 agreement signed by the representaffires of the brotherhoods, the roads and by the commission reads as follows:

In all road nervice except passenger, where schedules now read 100 miles or less, nine or ten hours or less, overtime at 10 or 11 miles per hour, Insert "eight hours or less for a basic day and 121 miles per hour for a speed basis," for the purpose of computing over-

Overtime to be paid for at not less than one-eighth of the daily rate per hour. In all yards service, switching

and hostelry service, where schedules now read "10, 11 or 12 hours or less, shall constitute a day's work," insert "eight hours or less shall constitute a day's work at present 10 hours' pay."

Overtime to be paid for at not less than one-eighth of the dally rate per hour.

in yards now working on an eight-hour basis the daily rate shall be the present 10-hour standard rate, with overtime at one-eighth of the present standard dally rate.

In case the law is declared unconstitutional, eight hours or less at present 10-hour pay will constitute a day's work. In passenger service, the pres-

ent mileage basis will be maintained. On roads now having a flat 10-hour day in passenger service the rule will be amended to read "eight within 10 hour."

For all classes of employes in short turn-around passenger ser vice, where the rule now reads "tight within 12 hours," it will be amended to read "eight within 10 hours." For such territory as has no

in short turn-around passenger service, the eight within 10-hour rule applies. Overtime to be paid for at not less than one-eighth of the daily rate per hour. The general committee on individual railroads may elect to retain their present overtime rules in short turn-around passenger

service, or the foregoing provis-

ion, but may not make a combina-

number of hours for a day's work,

tion of both to produce greater compensation than is provided in either basis. In the event the law is keld to be constitutional, if the foregoing settlement is inconsistent with the decision of the court, that application will be adjusted to the decision. If declared unconstitutional, the above stands with all the

provisions as written. The foregoing to govern for such roads, classes of employes and classes of service represented by the national conference committee of railroads. Schedules, except as modified by

O \$12,000,000 and \$13,000,000. the above changes, remain as at 000000000000000000